

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of: Terry et al.

Serial No. 09/365,349

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For: *Trace Element Phytoremediation*

Group Art Unit: 1638

Examiner: Ibrahim, M.

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## CERTIFICATE OF TRANSMISSION

I hereby certify that this corr. is being transmitted by fax to the Comm. for Patents, Washington, D.C. 20231 at 703 305-7401 on August 1, 2000.

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RESPONSE

The Commissioner for Patents  
Washington D.C. 20231

Dear Commissioner,

Thank you for the Final Action mailed 04/24/00. Please enter the following amendment:

IN THE CLAIMS

1. (Amended) A plant which is genetically engineered to overexpress glutamylcysteine synthetase and thereby provides enhanced heavy metal accumulation as compared with a corresponding wild type plant.

REMARKS

This amendment is made solely to clarify that the term enhanced is relative; i.e. as compared with a corresponding a wild-type plant. This is the only way the term is used in the Specification; see, e.g. p.7, lines 7-8; p.13, line 8, etc. This amendment introduces no new matter.

Applicants hereby petition for any necessary extension of time pursuant to 37 CFR 1.136(a). The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any necessary fees (small entity) associated with this communication to our Deposit Account No. 19-0750 (order no.B99-085).

Respectfully submitted,  
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